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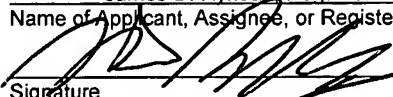
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**AMENDMENT A**

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action issued on October 7, 2005 having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 7, 2006. This paper is filed within the statutory period.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.